Richmond Refinery LPS Safety Alert

K-714A Fallen Handwheel





IMPACT #: TBD

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Photos:



Fallen handwheel/chain assembly.



Similar handwheel at K-714 taped off

Always remember to do your LPSA – because we care about you!

Incident Description:

On 10/6/2011, at 3:30pm, a staging contractor sustained a first aid injury while disassembling staging at TKC Off Gas Compressor K-714A at North Isomax. The worker was hit on the hard hat and grazed on the face by a valve handwheel/chain that unexpectedly disconnected from the valve stem. The employee was checked out at the Clinic and released back to full duty.

Investigation is in progress.

Background:

The staging contractor was disassembling scaffolding when the handwheel/chain assembly about 18 inches above his head disconnected from the valve stem. See photo.

The valve handwheel/chain assembly weighs roughly 25 lbs. Upon impact, the worker was knocked backwards, but not down.

Immediate Actions Taken:

- 1) Chevron Fire Department was notified and responded immediately to render first aid.
- 2) The worker was taken to the refinery medical clinic for evaluation and further treatment.
- 3) Contractor safety personnel were made aware of this incident.
- 4) A similar handwheel/chain assembly located at K-714 has been taped off until it is determined to be in safe working order.



BEFORE BEGINNING ANY ACTIVITY/TASK/JOB, AFTER A LOSS OR NEAR LOSS, ANY UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCES:



SSESS the risk!

What could go wrong?
What is the worst thing that could happen if something does go wrong?

ANALYZE how to reduce the risk!

Do I have all the necessary Training and Knowledge to do this job properly? Do I have all the proper Tools and Personal Protective Equipment?

CT to ensure loss-free operations!

Take necessary Action to ensure the job is done properly! Follow written procedures! Ask for assistance, if needed!

DO NOT PROCEED UNLESS ALL RISKS HAVE BEEN ADDRESSED!

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